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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

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AMCONSUL UDORN

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

CINCPAC HONOLULU

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR LA TH

SUBJECT: LAO RECLAIM AIRCRAFT

1. CONSULATE UDORN REPORTS THAT 16-MAN LAO DELEGATION HEADED BY DEFENSE DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY THAO DAMDUEN PROMDUANGSI, ASSISTED BY MFA DEPUTY DIRGEN OF THE WESTERN AND PACIFIC DEPARTMENT DR PEI PHAN, ARRIVED AT UDORN AIRPORT MID-DAY FEB 14 IN SOVIET-MADE MI-8 HELICOPTER. UDORN GOVERNOR VICHIEU VEJSAWAN MET THEM AND HOSTED LUNCHEON, AFTER WHICH THE LAO PILOTS AND CREWMEMBERS IN THE GROUP EXERTED CONSIDERABLE EFFORTS TO GET THE ENGINES STARTED ON THE C-46 AND TWO O-1A AIRCRAFT WHICH LAO PILOTS SEEKING REFUGE IN THAILAND HAVE FLOWN HERE SINCE END OF 1976. LAO DEPARTED FOR HOME WITH THE THREE PLANES AT 2:30 PM AFTER APPARENTLY SMOOTH VISIT.

2. IT REMAINS UNCLEAR WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO SEVERAL LAO

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AIRCRAFT WHICH HAVE BEEN AT UDORN EVEN LONGER THAN THE THREE WHICH WERE RECLAIMED. REUTERS REPORTED THAT LAO CLAIMED THEY NO LONGER WANT THE REMAINING ONES DUE TO THEIR AGE.

3. TURNOVER OF AIRCRAFT WAS OBVIOUSLY GESTURE IN PRELUDE TO VISIT OF THAI DELEGATION TO LAOS FEB 15 TO DISCUSS

AVIATION MATTERS. MFA OFFICIAL CONFIRMED THAT DELEGATION
DEPARTED AS PLANNED.
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Message Attributes

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